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1. SUMMARY: ALL DAILIES JULY 24 PROMINENTLY FRONTPAGED SECRETARY DENT'S TRADE CENTER ANNOUNCEMENT AND REMARKS ON GRAIN, SOYBEANS AND SCRAP EXPORTS. EDITORIALS ALL HAILED TRADE CENTER AS HALLMARK ROC-U.S. ECONOMIC RELATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. TAIPEI DAILIES JULY 24 GAVE PROMINENT FRONTPAGE TREATMENT SECRETARY DENT'S U.S. TRADE CENTER ANNOUNCEMENT AND PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ON GRAIN, SOYBEANS AND SCRAP EXPORTS. PAPERS ALSO NOTED DENT TOLD BANK OF CHINA PRESIDENT U.S. EXIMBANK CONTINUES SUPPORT ROC, AND TEXTILE QUOTAS WILL NOT BE LOOSENEED NOW.

3. EDITORIALS HAILED TRADE CENTER AS HALLMARK ROC-U.S.
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ECONOMIC RELATIONS. LEADING UNITED DAILY NEWS CONTINUED

CALL ESTABLISHMENT PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE HANDLE
BILATERAL TRADE, INVESTMENT AND TECHNOLOGICAL MATTERS;
ALSO HOLDING REGULAR MINISTERIAL-LEVEL MEETINGS ON
ECONOMIC MATTERS. PAPER SAID SUCH MEETINGS, IN
ABSENCE OTHER HIGH-LEVEL SINO-AMERICAN CONTACTS , WOULD
BE BEST WAY PROMOTE BILATERAL TIES.

4. INFLUENTIAL ECONOMIC DAILY NEWS SAID TRADE CENTER
SIGNIFIES THAT TAIWAN WILL OVERTAKE HONGKONG AS CENTER
OF AMERICAN ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN SEA. OTHER PAPERS
STRESSED CENTER SIGNIFIES INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT
ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES.
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